

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of JESSICA TROTTER, CHRISTIE
TROTTER and KELLY TROTTER, Minors.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

ROBERT ZEIGLER and BRENDA TROTTER,

Respondents-Appellants.

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Nos. 216943;216953

Clinton Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 97-004997 NA

Before: Griffin, P.J., and Zahra and Pavlich*, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

In Docket No. 216943, respondent Robert Zeigler appeals as of right from an order terminating his parental rights to Christie Trotter pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(g) and (h); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(g) and (h). In Docket No. 216953, respondent Brenda Trotter appeals by delayed leave granted from the order terminating her parental rights to Christie Trotter, as well as Jessica and Kelly Trotter, pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i) and (g); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(3)(c)(i) and (g). The appeals have been consolidated for this Court's consideration. We affirm. This case is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that §19b(3)(g) was established by clear and convincing evidence with respect to respondent Robert Ziegler and that §19b(3)(c)(i) was established by clear and convincing evidence with respect to respondent Brenda Trotter. MCR 5.974(I); *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989). Because only one statutory ground is required in order to terminate parental rights, *In re McIntyre*, 192 Mich App 47, 50; 480 NW2d 293 (1991), it is unnecessary to determine whether termination was also warranted under the remaining statutory grounds.

* Circuit judge, sitting on the Court of Appeals by assignment.

Both respondents failed to show that termination of their parental rights was not clearly in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); MSA 27.3178(598.19b)(5); *In re Hall-Smith*, 222 Mich App 470, 472-473; 564 NW2d 156 (1997). Thus, the trial court did not err in terminating respondents' parental rights to the children. *Id.*

Affirmed.

/s/ Richard Allen Griffin

/s/ Brian K. Zahra

/s/ Scott L. Pavlich